

Appl. No. 10/051,723
 Atty. Docket No. 8487M
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 Reply to Office Action of 01/29/2004
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/051,723
 Applicant(s) : Isao Noda et al.
 Filed : January 17, 2002
 Title : Fibers Comprising Polyhydroxyalkanoate
 Copolymer/Polylactic Acid Polymer Or Copolymer Blends
 TC/A.U. : 1713
 Examiner : Patricia A. Short
 Conf. No. : 8629
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P. O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
 Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of January 29, 2004, the time for response being extended by one month, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows, consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, and the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a), providing for a timely response up to and including June 1, 2004 (May 29, 2004 falls on a Saturday and May 31, 2004 is a federal holiday).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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